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What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for protecting exposed joint
2 connection portions on weight coated pipelines
3 comprising the steps of:
4 installing a cover material around the
5 exposed joint connection such that the cover material
6 overlaps the weight coating on either side of the
7 exposed joint connection,
8 cutting an opening into the cover material,
9 sealing cover material together forming an
10 annular void between the pipe and the cover material,
11 injecting fluid joint filler system
12 components through the opening into the annular void,
13 and
14 allowing^B the joint filler system to solidify
15 and fill the void.
- 1 2. A method of claim 1 wherein the fluid joint
2 filler system is a rapid setting polyurethane system.
- 1 3. A method of claim 1 wherein the cover
2 material is a pliable sheet of synthetic resin.
- 1 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said step of
2 installing comprises the step of:

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3 forming the resin sheet into a cylinder
4 forming an annular pocket about the exposed joint
5 connection.

1 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the cover
2 material is sealed by heat welding.

1 6. The method of claim 4 wherein the cover
2 material is a thermoplastic synthetic resin.

1 7. The method of claim 4 wherein the cover
2 material is polyethylene..

1 8. The method of claim 4 wherein the cover
2 material is between about 0.02 inches to about 0.5
3 inches in thickness.

4 9. The method of claim 4 wherein the opening is
5 precut into the cover material.

1 10. The method of claim 4 wherein the joint
2 filler system is a rapid curing polyurethane system
3 which reacts to form a high density open celled foam
4 material in the annular void.

